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Tonbridge Rural District Council.

ANNUAL REPORT

for 1971

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT

HEALTH COMMITTEE

(Constitution at 31st December, 1971)

Chairman of Council
Councillor R.W. Barsley
Councillor G.S. Sturgeon

Councillor P.H.Toy
(Chairman)
(Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Mrs.O.M. Eames
Councillor Mrs.H. Garner
Councillor Mrs.F.M. Henley
Councillor H.J.L. Harris

* Councillor R.C. Kirby
Councillor Brig.C.J.C. Sherman
* Councillor Mrs.E.S. Williams

* Members on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

One other Member of the Council to act as Standing Deputy on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

R. G. BRENNEN, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H

DEPUTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

DOROTHY N. IRONSIDE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

(also Senior Clinical Medical Officer,
Kent County Council)

CLERICAL STAFF

TONBRIDGE OFFICE:

Chief Clerk: Mrs.E.M. Tibbles
Shorthand Typist/Clerk: Mrs.J.M. Oughton

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS

Chief Public Health Inspector:
W.J. Davies, (a and c)

Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector:
E.J. Griffiths (a and c)

Additional Public Health Inspector:
J.M. Lucas (b and c)

Meat Inspector
P. Costema (d)

Public Health Inspectors' Clerk:
Miss S.A. Hunt

Rodent Operator:
R.A. Pomfret

(a) Certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute and Sanitary Inspectors' Examination Joint Board
(b) Certificate of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
(c) Meat and Other Foods Inspection Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
(d) Royal Society of Health Certificate in Meat Inspection

Mr.R.C. Spalding, M.A., F.R.I.C., acts as County Analyst for the District

TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT

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Tonbridge

To the Chairman and Members of the Tonbridge Rural District Council

Mr.Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the District for 1971.

The estimated mid-year population of the District, given by the Registrar-General, was 31,520, an increase of 2,060 over the mid-1970 figure.

The total number of registered live births was 472 (236 males and 236 females), this figure being higher than last year's total of 455. The crude birth rate was 15.0 per 1,000 population, the corrected birth rate being 15.5, compared with 16.0 for England and Wales.

The number of deaths from all causes totalled 300 (134 males and 166 females), this figure being a little lower than last year's total of 312. The crude death rate per 1,000 population was 9.5, the corrected death rate for the District being 8.1, compared with 11.6 for England and Wales.

Deaths of infants under one year numbered 6, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 13.0. The rate for England and Wales was 18.0. The Neo-Natal Death Rate (the number of deaths of infants under four weeks) was 8.0

There were 12 deaths from Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus (11 males and 1 female), compared with 21 last year.

The number of notifiable infectious diseases recorded in the District was 121 compared with 437 in 1970.

On page 15 of this Report, figures are given showing the number of persons immunised and vaccinated during the year under review.

It will be appreciated that this report is an attempt to record the quality of life in our own small community, this in turn reflecting the work of our medical and social services against an environmental background in the planning and improving of which so much time is voluntarily spent by our Civic representatives. This is supplemented by a vast volume of voluntary effort by individuals both inside and outside these services, and to these I should like to record my indebtedness for their help on so many occasions during the year.

However, consideration of the facts of life and death in this report will, I hope, remind us that our personal habits and choice in our mode of life would be as important in improving the health of our community and reduction of the pollution of our environment, as would thought and kindness in caring for our neighbours.

Once again my sincere thanks are due to Mr.Davies and the staff of the Department, and to all those too numerous to mention, who have so patiently assisted in the compilation of these statistics.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. G. BRENNEN

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area:	41,687 acres
Population	
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1971	31,520
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1970	29,460
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1971 for England and Wales	48,815,000
Density of population: i.e. number of persons per acre	0.7
Number of inhabited houses:	10,410
Rateable Value:	£1,207,700
Sum produced by a penny (1p) rate:	£11,400

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1971

			Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
LIVE BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	102	298	90	49	222	280	335	1,376
		Female	100	266	89	54	224	257	305	1,295
		Total	202	564	179	103	446	537	640	2,671
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	11	21	7	1	14	15	27	96
		Female	7	8	5	5	12	10	30	77
		Total	18	29	12	6	26	25	57	173
TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS			220	593	191	109	472	562	697	2,844
CRUDE BIRTH RATE PER 1,000 of mid year population 1971			12.6	13.0	10.4	11.3	15.0	18.1	15.6	14.3
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General			1.26	1.07	1.13	1.14	1.03	0.98	1.10	-
ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE			15.9	13.9	11.8	12.9	15.5	17.7	17.2	-
STILL BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	2	2	1	-	2	2	4	13
		Female	1	6	-	1	1	3	4	16
		Total	3	8	1	1	3	5	8	29
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
		Female	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
		Total	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	4
TOTAL STILL BIRTHS			3	9	2	1	4	5	9	33
STILL BIRTH RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births			13	15	10	9	8	9	13	11.5
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS			223	602	193	110	476	567	706	2,877

	Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
INFANT DEATHS (under one year) Male	-	6	-	-	2	2	6	16
Female	3	4	1	1	4	3	6	22
TOTAL	3	10	1	1	6	5	12	38
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:								
All infants per 1,000 live births	14	17	5	9	13	9	17	13.4
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	9	15	5	9	8	7	10	9.8
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	9	13	-	9	8	7	9	9.0
PERI-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births	22	28	10	18	17	16	21	20.2
MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DEATHS Male	73	221	84	42	134	148	259	961
Female	109	261	104	52	166	146	418	1,256
TOTAL	182	482	188	94	300	294	677	2,217
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1971	10.4	10.6	10.3	9.7	9.5	9.5	15.2	11.2
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar General	0.88	0.99	0.83	0.79	0.85	0.97	0.54	-
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE	9.2	10.5	8.5	7.7	8.1	9.2	8.2	-

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	2	1	3
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases	2	-	2
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity Etc.,	3	2	5
Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus	7	10	17
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	17	20	37
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	24	38	62
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	106	27	133
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	62	62
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	18	18
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	13	-	13
Leukaemia	4	7	11
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.,	61	71	132
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	2	5	7
Diabetes Mellitus	5	13	18
Avitaminoses, etc.,	-	1	1
Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases	-	3	3
Anaemias	3	4	7
Other Diseases of Blood, etc.,	-	2	2
Multiple Sclerosis	3	2	5
Other Diseases of Nervous System, Etc.,	9	11	20
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	8	16	24
Hypertensive Disease	20	17	37
Ischaemic Heart Disease	226	224	450
Other Forms of Heart Disease	53	121	174
Cerebrovascular Disease	107	241	348

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tunbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	2	1	-	4	1	-	3	-	-	1	1	4
2	-	5	6	1	1	1	-	2	6	2	2	4	5
-	2	8	9	2	4	1	2	3	5	2	2	8	14
7	4	25	9	8	3	9	-	11	1	22	1	24	9
-	6	-	14	-	6	-	3	-	10	-	11	-	12
-	1	-	4	-	1	-	3	-	6	-	1	-	2
2	-	4	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	1	-	1	-
-	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	3	1	1
4	4	16	20	6	4	3	1	4	19	10	6	18	17
-	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-
2	2	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1	2	5
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
-	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
1	4	3	3	1	1	1	-	2	-	-	1	1	2
1	4	3	2	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	2	3	6
-	-	6	5	1	1	1	3	4	2	6	3	2	3
17	22	49	44	20	17	10	8	37	26	41	38	52	69
3	13	13	9	2	9	4	7	7	16	10	14	14	53
5	20	23	42	6	16	4	10	15	26	13	24	41	103

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	39	69	108
Influenza	1	-	1
Pneumonia	71	116	187
Bronchitis and Emphysema	62	15	77
Asthma	2	5	7
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	8	14	22
Peptic Ulcer	4	6	10
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	7	4	11
Cirrhosis of Liver	2	1	3
Other Diseases of Digestive System	11	22	33
Nephritis and Nephrosis	4	3	7
Hyperplasia of Prostate	2	-	2
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	9	12	21
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	1	2	3
Other complications of Pregnancy, etc.,	-	2	2
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	2	7	9
Congenital Anomalies	4	7	11
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.,	6	9	15
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	3	1	4
Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	9	8	17
Motor Vehicle Accidents	19	8	27
All Other Accidents	9	14	23
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	10	12	22
All Other External Causes	1	2	3
TOTALS	961	1,256	2,217

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tunbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
3	5	8	21	7	8	2	1	7	5	4	4	8	25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
6	8	16	28	9	11	1	5	8	19	10	11	21	34
8	2	12	4	9	2	-	1	7	1	7	1	19	4
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	3
-	-	2	5	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	1	3	7
-	1	3	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2
-	2	-	1	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	2	1
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
2	1	1	8	1	2	-	1	1	2	1	3	5	5
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
2	-	-	3	-	2	-	1	1	2	2	2	4	2
-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	2
-	-	2	3	-	2	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-
-	1	3	1	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	2	1	3
-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	-	2	5
3	1	3	1	4	-	-	1	4	3	2	1	3	1
1	-	2	1	-	2	1	-	-	3	2	2	3	6
-	2	2	2	1	1	-	1	2	2	2	1	3	3
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
73	109	221	261	84	104	42	52	134	166	148	146	259	418

CAUSES OF DEATH OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

CAUSE OF DEATH	Under 24 hours	1 day to 1 week	1-2 weeks	2-3 weeks	3-4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1-3 mths.	3-6 mths.	6-9 mths.	9-12 mths.	TOTAL
Congenital Anomalies	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour,etc.,	2	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2
TOTALS	3	1	-	-	-	4	1	-	1	-	6

DEATHS FROM LUNG CANCER DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

YEAR	20 - 34 years		35 - 44 years		45 - 64 years		65 - 74 years		75 years and over		TOTAL	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1962	-	-	-	-	7	-	3	-	2	-	12	-
1963	-	-	-	-	1	2	8	2	3	1	12	5
1964	-	-	-	-	4	1	3	-	3	1	10	2
1965	-	-	-	-	4	2	4	2	2	-	10	4
1966	-	-	1	1	6	1	4	1	1	1	12	4
1967	1	-	1	1	4	2	7	4	4	2	17	9
1968	-	-	1	-	6	1	8	-	1	1	16	2
1969	-	-	1	-	7	2	8	-	-	-	16	2
1970	-	-	-	-	8	4	1	2	5	1	14	7
1971	-	-	-	-	6	-	3	-	2	1	11	1
TOTALS	1	-	4	2	53	15	49	11	23	8	130	36

AGES OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	Total Cases (all ages)	Under 1 year	1 yrs.	2 yrs.	3 yrs.	4 yrs.	5-9 yrs.	10-14 yrs.	15-24 yrs.	25-44 yrs.	45-64 yrs.	65 and over
Scarlet Fever	8	-	-	-	-	-	7	1	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	13	1	-	1	1	1	7	2	-	-	-	-
Measles	99	3	8	10	12	6	52	4	1	3	-	-
Food Poisoning	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	121	4	8	11	13	7	67	7	1	3	-	-

SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APL.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTALS
Scarlet Fever	-	-	2	-	2	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	8
Whooping Cough	-	-	5	3	2	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	13
Measles	3	3	1	9	14	35	16	4	4	-	-	10	99
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTALS	3	3	8	12	18	37	17	5	4	3	1	10	121

TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 9 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 19 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 24 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 - 74 years	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
75 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS - SUMMARY OF CASES

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
Cases on register at beginning of year	98	15	62	16	191
Cases added	1	-	1	-	2
Cases removed	1	-	-	1	2
Cases remaining	98	15	63	15	191

NUMBER OF CASES AND DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

Year	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total Deaths
	No. of cases notified	Deaths	No. of cases notified	Deaths	
1962	5	1	3	-	1
1963	4	-	-	-	-
*1964	6	1	1	-	1
1965	4	-	2	-	-
*1966	7	3	-	-	3
1967	6	1	1	-	1
*1968	2	-	2	-	-
1969	1	1	1	-	1
1970	1	-	1	-	-
1971	-	1	-	-	1

* Denotes year Mass Radiography Unit visited the District

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION

The following table shows the figures for 1971 based on the return sent to the Department of Health and Social Security.

YEAR OF BIRTH	PRIMARY							REINFORCING					
	Triple Antigen	Diph-theria Tetanus	Small-Pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio-mye-litis	Rubella	Triple Antigen	Diph-theria Tetanus	Small-pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio mye-litis
1971	6	-	2	1	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1970	301	7	45	1	100	311	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1969	146	1	173	-	140	168	-	6	2	-	1	-	-
1968	16	1	13	-	48	35	-	8	21	-	2	-	-
1967	2	-	3	-	24	9	-	6	34	2	5	-	28
1966	-	-	4	-	16	-	-	41	303	19	4	-	347
1964/65	1	2	3	2	9	-	-	7	73	14	13	-	87
1955/63	-	1	3	61	5	-	286	1	44	98	155	-	124
TOTAL	472	12	246	65	342	532	286	69	477	133	180	-	586

Smallpox vaccinations at County Clinics were discontinued as from 30.7.71.

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936
as amended by the Nursing Homes Act, 1963)

	Number of Homes	Number of beds provided for:		
		Maternity	Others	Total
Homes registered during year	-	-	-	-
Homes whose registrations were withdrawn during year	-	-	-	-
Homes on register at end of year	1	-	30	30

Visits of inspection, and special visits as required, are made to the above Nursing Home during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - Section 47
NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

(Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention)

No action was necessary under these Enactments during the year.

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory Service, under the Directorship of Dr.A.L. Furniss, provided excellent facilities during the year for the examination of specimens and full co-operation with the staff was maintained. Valuable facilities are also available in the Pathological Departments of the following hospitals: Kent and Sussex, Pembury, Sevenoaks and Orpington.

Staff Medical Examinations

During the year twenty medical examinations were carried out for the District for superannuation purposes, and five for drivers of Heavy Goods Vehicles.

International Vaccination Certificates

These are authenticated on request, in accordance with International agreements. In co-operation with the immigration authorities, persons arriving in the country from infected or suspected areas without valid certificates are kept under surveillance by the Health Department.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES OF THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

Health Services

Ambulance Facilities

Enquiries relating to ambulance service matters and requests for ambulance transport are dealt with by the Kent County Council Ambulance Service from their station at 86a, Speldhurst Road, Southborough. Tel.No.Tunbridge Wells 23222.

Domiciliary Midwifery

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the Area Office of the County Council.

Home Nursing Service

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurse's attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtainable from the Area Office of the County Council.

Social Services

Area Office

Area Director: Miss B.Bristow,
Social Services Department,
39, Grove Hill Road,
Tunbridge Wells
Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23342

Home Help Service

Home help service may be provided in households where it is needed owing to the presence of a person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, aged, handicapped as a result of having suffered from illness or congenital deformity, or a child not over compulsory school age, but only where there is no able-bodied person in the household capable of carrying out the necessary household duties.

Night and Evening Service

Evening service is provided for elderly people who are bedridden or housebound and have no one to assist them to prepare for the night and includes the provision of a light meal or hot drink, and attention to fires. Night Service is provided, for no longer than three weeks unless there are exceptional circumstances, for the care of seriously ill people who are living in their own homes and who need attention during the night. In some cases the service is provided for one to three nights a week to give relief to relatives.

Family Care Service

This service is provided for the short-term care of children in their own homes during the absence of the mother by reason of admission to hospital for illness or confinement or in other special circumstances. Help is given only to families where care of at least two children is involved and the period of service is limited to three months.

Family Welfare Service

This service is provided, with the parent's consent, in households where the habits, behaviour and standards of living of the family are much below those generally accepted in the society in which they live. The three main objectives of the service are to raise the standards of living of the families, to improve the welfare of the children, and to keep the families together and prevent their break-up. Intensive training for a period of three months is given and this is succeeded by a follow-on service for nine months. In families where there is medical evidence of mental subnormality the continuance of the service after the initial period of three months may be approved for not more than twelve hours a week until the youngest child reaches compulsory school age.

Health Visitors

Mrs. R. S. Jones	Miss M. Wilson
Mrs. Magowan	Mrs. E. Baughan
Miss C. Spark	Mrs. J. Wright
Mrs. P. Bond	

Special School

Hardwick, Coldharbour Lane, Hildenborough	Tel. Hildenborough 3028

Old People's Homes

Oakhurst, Hildenborough	Tel. Weald 310
Hardwick, Coldharbour Lane, Hildenborough	Tel. Hildenborough 2092

Child Welfare Centres and Clinics

Centre	Service	Day and Time
Bidborough Village Hall	Child Welfare	2nd Mon. P.M.
Brenchley Memorial Hall	Child Welfare	2nd and 4th Fri. P.M.
Capel, Congregational Hall, Five Oak Green	Child Welfare	1st & 3rd Fri. P.M.
Hadlow, Memorial Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Thurs. P.M.
Hildenborough Village Hall	Child Welfare	Tues. P.M.
Horsmonden, Village Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Tues. P.M.
Lamberhurst Memorial Hall	Child Welfare	1st & 3rd Thurs. P.M.
Langton Green Watson Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Fri. P.M.
Paddock Wood, Woodland Health Centre, (P.Wood 3474)	Child Welfare Chiropody Relaxation Dental	Thurs. A.M. & P.M. Wed. A.M. Tues. P.M. Tues. A.M. & P.M.
Pembury, Church Institute, Lower Green	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Thurs. P.M.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

Hospitals

The Hospital Management Committees of the South-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board covering the hospitals in the Joint Health Area are set out below:-

Tunbridge Wells Hospital Management Committee:
Sherwood Park, Pembury Road, Tunbridge Wells
Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23444

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Pembury Hospital
Kent and Sussex Hospital
The Homoeopathic Hospital
Tonbridge Cottage Hospital
Tunbridge Wells Maternity Hospital
Hawkenbury Hospital
Edenbridge and District Memorial Hospital
David Salomons House, Southborough
Hawkhurst Cottage Hospital

Cray Valley and Sevenoaks Hospital Management Committee:
Orpington Hospital, Orpington
Tel. Orpington 27050

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Sevenoaks Hospital
Emily Jackson Wing of Sevenoaks Hospital
Sundridge Hospital

Chest Clinics

Address	Days	Times
Baltic Road, Tonbridge	Monday	2 P.M. to 4 P.M.
Pembury Hospital, Pembury	Wednesday	2 P.M. to 4 P.M.
Kent & Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Friday	All day
Sevenoaks Chest Clinic, Outpatients Department, Sevenoaks Hospital	Wednesday	Morning

Clinic for Treatment of Venereal Diseases

Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Tuesday	(females)	9.30 a.m.
	Tuesday	(males)	10.30 a.m.

TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

1. Water Supply

There was no change in the position with regard to water supplies to the District, the majority of premises being served by the mains of the Mid-Kent Water Company, The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company, the Tunbridge Wells Corporation Water Undertaking, and the Mid-Sussex Water Company. In addition a small number of premises received piped supplies from private sources. There are now only 13 known dwellings without a laid-on water supply. These are in isolated places to which mains could not be laid at economic cost.

Supplies during the year were sufficient and the quality generally satisfactory. The private main in the village of Tudeley, which hitherto had been causing 'rust' deposit, is now flushed periodically and has been satisfactory during the year.

Examination reports on water samples taken during the year were as follows:-

	Bacteriological Examination			Chemical Examination		
	No. of Samples	Satis-factory	Not Satis-factory	No. of Samples	Satis-factory	Not Satis-factory
Statutory supply undertakings	19	19	-	-	-	-
Private sources piped to dwellings	2	2	-	1	1	-
Other private sources	5	5	-	1	1	-

At the end of 1971, 99% + of the houses within the District were receiving piped water supply.

During the year the following main extensions were carried out:-

The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company

A total of 224 yards of mains were laid in Hildenborough in connection with the Tonbridge By-Pass.

The Mid Kent Water Company

The Company laid 1,767 yards of mains during the year, and now supply 6,169 properties in the District.

The Tunbridge Wells Water Undertaking

There have been no important extensions of mains carried out in the District during 1971.

2. Drainage and Sewerage

Mr.G.L.Plastow, the Engineer and Surveyor, has kindly supplied the undermentioned information:-

Works carried out during 1971

(a) Matfield,Brenchley and Horsmonden Regional Scheme

Work continued on the Regional Sewerage Scheme to serve Matfield, Petteridge, Castle Hill, Brenchley and Horsmonden and this is due for completion in Mid-1972.

(b) Hadlow

A tender has been accepted for the re-building of the existing sewage treatment works and work is due to commence early in 1972.

(c) Paddock Wood

A Wickham Lynx Disc Filter was purchased for drying sludge at the works at Paddock Wood.

(d) Blowers Hill, Speldhurst

Work started on the completion of the Blowers Hill Sewerage Scheme which will provide main drainage for the first time to some 25 properties. It has been decided to extend this sewer to eliminate the small treatment works at Etherington Hill.

(e) Sewer Cleansing

Some 1300 yards of main foul sewer in Hadlow were cleaned by dragging and jetting and a television survey is to be carried out early in 1972.

(f) Pembury

Manholes at a private estate in Pembury were re-built at the expense of the residents under a contract prepared by the Council to enable the sewers to be adopted as public sewers.

(g) Work carried out by Private Developers

The Council have also supervised the construction of, and have adopted, soil and surface water sewers laid by private developers to serve new private estates within the District.

Future Programme

(a) Hildenborough

Plans have now been completed for Stage III of the Hildenborough Sewerage Scheme which will divert sewage from the overloaded treatment works at Hildenborough to Tonbridge Urban District Council's works for treatment. It is hoped that work will start on this in 1972.

(b) Golden Green and Barnes Street (Hadlow Parish)

It is planned to let a contract for the sewerage of Golden Green and Barnes Street and to include the Ashes Lane and Blackmans Lane areas once construction is commenced on the new sewage treatment works for Hadlow.

(c) S.W.Matfield

The Council's Consultants have been instructed to prepare a scheme to provide main drainage to the area of S.W.Matfield which was not included in the Regional Scheme at present under construction.

(d) Ashurst (Speldhurst Parish)

It is proposed to pump sewage from Ashurst to the Blackham sewage treatment works of the Uckfield Rural District Council for treatment.

(e) Surface Water Sewerage, Paddock Wood

Certain diversions to existing surface water sewers are planned at Paddock Wood to enable the Council to re-develop the Ringden Meadow prefab. site and the adjoining land.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal

The principle of a weekly collection service has been maintained throughout the district. A pilot scheme using paper sacks was introduced in part of the District and was proved by a postal survey to be well received. Plastic sacks were issued to all householders for use over the Christmas period to store additional rubbish.

Additional refuse has been collected from domestic premises on request without charge.

A scheme in which a builder's skep is placed on rota at pre-determined positions to receive additional and garden refuse was introduced in the parish of Pembury and proved successful. The service is to be extended to other parishes.

Two refuse collection vehicles were renewed during the period providing additional capacity.

Disposal of refuse was by controlled tipping at sites in Paddock Wood and Horsmonden. Remedial action was taken to limit the pollution of nearby watercourses.

4. Swimming Pools

Number of public swimming pools	1
Number of school swimming pools	12
Number of private swimming pools	14
Number of visits made during the year	35
Number of samples taken:	
Satisfactory	6
Unsatisfactory	-

The pools were operated and maintained satisfactorily throughout the season with no major problems arising Some difficulty, however, was experienced at the beginning of the season at the public pool where the chemical balance of the water had to be adjusted before acceptable readings were obtained.

5. Inspection of the District

Number of complaints received and investigated	367
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	4,027
Informal Notices:	
Served during the year	157
Complied with during the year	128
Statutory Notices:	
Served during the year	7
Complied with during the year	
(a) by owners	6
(b) by Local Authority in default	1
Legal proceedings taken during the year	2

Proceedings taken on the 19th October,1971 under Section 2 of the Food and Drugs Act,1955. The firm concerned was convicted in the Magistrate's Court and fined £5 with £10 costs.

Owner of tanker depositing sludge in Chalket Lane,Pembury, fined £10 and Nuisance Order made by Magistrate's Court.

Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:

Housing	1,146
Nuisances etc. (not included under Housing)	326
Visits to Food Premises	375
Visits re Food Complaints	22
Swimming Pools	35
Factories Act, 1961	108
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	160
Shops Act, 1950/65	262
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	45
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	29
Agriculture (Safety, Health & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	23
Pet Animals Act, 1951	46
Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963	22
Hop Pickers' Camps	68
Caravan Sites	88
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	14
Noise Abatement	17
Infectious Disease Visits	49
Slaughterhouses	935
Water Supply	48
Imported Food Regulations	19
Miscellaneous	220

6. <u>Hop Pickers' Camps</u>

Number of camps in the District	Approx. 30
Number of huts in the District	1,916
Total estimated number of persons engaged in hop-picking (excluding home pickers)	1,200
Number of inspections of hop pickers' camps during 1971	68

Picking commenced at most farms early in September in fine weather - the greater part of the harvesting being done by machines. The number of hand pickers was noticeably fewer this year and it was interesting to note that many of them were students filling in time before returning to Universities.

7. Disinfestations

The following infestations were dealt with:-

Beetles 3: Mining Bees 2: Wasps Nests 108: Silverfish 2:

Ground Beetles 1: Ants 23: Cockroaches 3: Fleas 4:

Bees 32: Flies 5: Carpet Beetles 5: Cluster Flies 1:

Bed Bugs 1: Moles 4: House Martin Bugs 1: Wood Lice 1:

Humble Bees 1: Dirty Premises 3:

8. Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS

				TYPE OF PROPERTY	
				NON-AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
1.	Number of properties in District			11,450	549
2.	(a)	Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification		493	2
	(b)	Number infested by	(i) Rats	354	2
			(ii) Mice	139	-
3.	(a)	Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification		134	54
	(b)	Number infested by	(i) Rats	127	52
			(ii) Mice	7	2

SEWERS

Sewer treatment was carried out during the year but no infestations were found.

The Council have seventeen annual contracts for the treatment of business and agricultural premises. The value of these contracts amounted to £287 - 20 in 1971.

9. Rag, Flock & Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

Number of registered premises ... ... Nil

10. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957

Number of licensed premises 8

Number of inspections made during the year 29

11. Agriculture (Safety, Health & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956

Number of inspections made 23

(Appropriate reminders were sent to occupiers of Agricultural Holdings calling their attention to their responsibilities under the Act)

12. Pet Animals Act, 1951

Number of premises licensed 2

Number of visits made 6

13. Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

Number of premises licensed 6

Number of visits made 18

14. Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Number of dealers registered 9

15. Clean Air Act, 1956

Investigations were confined to garden bonfires causing nuisance to neighbours.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Part I of the Act

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2,3 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	5	5	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	89	91	10	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	20	24	3	-
TOTAL	114	120	13	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	Referred By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	2	2	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	1	1	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	1	1	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	10	8	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	4	4	-	-	-
TOTAL	18	16	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices Served	Prosecutions
Wearing Apparel						
Making, etc.,	1	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(A) Registration and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	5	34	13
Retail Shops	13	99	51
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	4	12	6
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	-	12	11
Fuel storage depots	-	2	1
TOTALS	22	159	82

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act 150

(B) Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Contravention	No. found	Section	Contravention	No. found
4	Cleanliness	4	13	Sitting facilities	-
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats(sedentary workers)	-
6	Temperature	-	15	Eating facilities	1
7	Ventilation	-	16	Floors,passages & stairs	1
8	Lighting	-	17	Fencing exposed parts of machinery	-
9	Sanitary Conveniences	-	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	-	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of drinking water	-	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing accomodation	4	24	First Aid General Provisions	6
				TOTAL	16

(C) Exemptions

Number of applications received ... ... Nil

Number of applications granted ... ... Nil

(D) Prosecutions

Number instituted and completed during the year ... Nil

(E) Reported Accidents

Workplace	Number Reported	Total Number Investigated	Action Recommended			No Action
			Prosecution	Formal Warning	Informal Advice	
Offices	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retail Shops	1	1	-	-	-	1
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Catering Establishments open to public, canteens	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	1	1	-	-	-	1

Analysis of Reported Accidents

	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale Warehouses	Catering Establishments open to public, Canteens	Fuel Storage Depots
Machinery	-	-	-	-	-
Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Falls of persons	-	-	-	-	-
Stepping on or striking against object or person	-	-	-	-	-
Handling goods	-	1	-	-	-
Struck by falling object	-	-	-	-	-
Fires and Explosions	-	-	-	-	-
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	-	-	-	-
Not otherwise specified	-	-	-	-	-

HOUSING

(A) Repair - Housing and Public Health Acts

Number of houses rendered fit after service of notices:

	Section 9, 10 and 16 Housing Act, 1957		Public Health and similar Local Acts		Totals	
	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal
(a) By Owner	-	-	-	7	-	7
(b) By Local Authority	-	-	-	-	-	-

(B) Beyond Repair - Housing Act, 1957

Number of	(i)	Undertakings accepted (Section 16)	5
	(ii)	Closing Orders made (Section 17)	1
	(iii)	Demolition Orders made (Section 17)	3
	(iv)	Closing Orders made (Section 18)	-
	(v)	Closing Orders determined (Section 27)	6
	(vi)	Closing Orders revoked and Demolition Orders substituted(Section 28)	5
	(vii)	Houses demolished following Demolition Orders ...	-
	(viii)	Houses repaired under Section 24 after Demolition Order	-

(C) Clearance Areas

(1)	Represented during the year	Nil
(2)	Action taken during the year	Nil
(3)	Purchase of houses by agreement	Nil

(D) Improvement Grants

(1) Discretionary

		Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
(i)	Number of applications received	16	29
(ii)	Number of applications approved	13	29
(iii)	Number of applications refused	3	-
(iv)	Number of dwellings improved	8	20
		£.	
(v)	Amount paid in grants	19,623 - 00	
(vi)	Average grant per house	981 - 00	

(2) Standard

		Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
(i)	Number of applications received	10	19
(ii)	Number of applications approved	10	19
(iii)	Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv)	Number of dwellings improved	9	23
		£.	
(v)	Amount paid in grants	7,251 - 00	
(vi)	Average grant per house	226 - 00	
(vii)	Amenities provided		
	(a) fixed bath or shower		25
	(b) wash hand basin		29
	(c) hot water supply (to any fittings)		32
	(d) water closet (1) within dwelling		26
	(2) accesible from dwelling		-
	(e) sink		5

(3) Special Grants(Multiple Occupied Premises)

Number of applications received Nil

(E) Housing Act, 1969

(1) General Improvement Areas

Number of areas	(a) Surveyed	Nil
	(b) Declared	Nil

(2) Qualification Certificates

(a) Cases where Improvements Required

(i)	Number of applications for Qualification Certificates - Section 44 (2)	10
(ii)	Number of Certificates of Provisional Approval issued	10
(iii)	Number of Qualification Certificates issued - Section 46 (3)	11

(b) Standard Amenities already Provided

(i)	Number of applications for Qualification Certificates - Section 44 (1)	17
(ii)	Number of Qualification Certificates issued - Section 45 (2)	10

(F) Improvement Areas - Housing Act, 1964

Number of dwellings improved	Nil

Section 19 Dwellings outside improvement area

(i)	Number of representations made by tenants ...	1
(ii)	Number of preliminary notices served	2
(iii)	Number of undertakings accepted	2
(iv)	Number of immediate improvement notices served..	-
(v)	Number of such dwellings improved	
	(a) full standard ...	2
	(b) reduced standard ...	-

(G) Houses in Multiple Occupation

No houses falling into this category were inspected during the year.

Caravans (as at 31st December, 1971)

Number of site licences issued	18
Total number of caravans permitted on licensed sites	60
Number of sites licensed for Movable Dwellings (other than caravans)	1 *

* This site is located at Castle Fields, Ashurst. Six portable buildings are in use as temporary accommodation by anglers at weekends between 1st April to 1st October.

Common Lodging Houses

Number registered in District ... ... Nil

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. Milk Supplies

Number of registered distributors 95

Number of registered dairies - Wholesale ... ... -

Retail 1

Milk Sampling

No samples were taken during the year

2. Ice Cream

Number of premises registered (a) for the manufacture of ice cream Nil

(b) for the sale of ice cream 132

Results of samples taken:

Grade 1 74

Grade 2 4

3. Premises registered for the Manufacture of Preserved Foods

Classification	Number on Register
Manufacture of Cooked Meats	18
Manufacture of Sausages	16

4. Slaughterhouses

Number in District 3

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Goats
Number killed	1,486	186	2,093	68,415	30,208	2
Number Inspected	1,486	186	2,093	68,415	30,208	2
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci						
Whole carcases condemned	1	-	6	17	75	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	330	-	23	3,619	6,217	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	22.27	-	1.39	5.31	20.83	-
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	5	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	0.02	-
Cysticercosis						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	3	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

Number of slaughtermen's licences renewed during the year 6

Number of new licences issued during the year 8

5. Food Premises subject to The Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

CATEGORY OF TRADE	Number in District	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 16 (wash basins)	Number to which Reg. 19 applies (provision of sinks etc.)	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 19
Cafes, restaurants, canteens	36	36	36	36
Bakehouses	4	4	4	4
Butchers	18	18	18	18
Grocers and Provision Merchants	59	59	59	59
Confectioners	18	18	18	18
Licensed Premises	57	57	57	57
Fishmongers	2	2	2	2
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	10	10	10	10
Food Stalls and Vehicles	2	2	2	2

All premises where food is stored, processed, handled or sold, continued to receive routine inspections during the year. Leaflets setting out the main provisions of food legislation continued to be issued from time to time and upon change of occupation. Six complaints of unsatisfactory food products were bought to the attention of the department during the year, and after full inquiries had been made in each case, appropriate steps were taken with the firms involved.

6. FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Details of samples taken by the County Sampling Officers within the Tonbridge Rural District during the year ended 31st December, 1971.

	Satis factory	Unsatis-factory
Milk	22	2
Sugar, sugar confectionery, flour confectionery, chocolate products, cereals	-	1
Tea, coffee, cocoa, beverages, minerals, cordials ..	16	-
Jams, preserves, honey, jellies	5	4
Dried fruit, raw fruit, vegetables, tinned fruit and vegetables	11	1
Pickles, sauces, vinegar, condiments	3	-
Drugs, medicines	8	-
Beer, wines, spirits	5	-
Miscellaneous	14	-
	84	8

UNSATISFACTORY SAMPLES

Homogenised Milk (2 samples)

Small amounts of extraneous water. Dairy cautioned.

Prepared Seville Oranges (4 samples)

Still under investigation.

Turkey Flavoured Sandwich Biscuit

Incorrectly labelled. Manufacturer agreed to re-word label.

Mixed Dried Fruit

Infested with mites. Remainder of stock returned to wholesaler.

7. Poultry Inspection

Number of poultry processing premises within the District ... ... Nil

8. Unsound Food

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Meat	19	16	2	17	4
Tinned Food	6	8	3	2	8
Other Food	269	12	-	20	12

Imported Food Regulations 1968

Notifications are now being regularly received from Port Health Authorities of unexamined containers of food being delivered directly to premises in this district without having been subjected to inspection at the port of entry. This has involved in some instances inspection being carried out outside working hours in order to co-operate with owners, shippers, insurance companies etc. A total of 19 containers containing fruit, vegetables, frozen vegetables and canned fruit juice were subject to examination.

All meat condemned at the slaughterhouse is collected by authorised persons and is processed into animal feeding stuffs and fertilizers. All other food-stuffs condemned are taken to the Council's refuse dump for burial.

9. Food Poisoning

One case of food poisoning was notified during the year, the causative organism being Salmonella Virchow.